

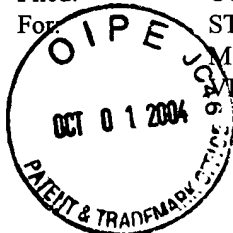
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEIn re Application of: Allen Robert Heitman, David Lynn)
Merbach, and William Roy Yonker)

Examiner: Hong Chong Kim

Serial No.: 09/972,391)

Art Unit: 2186

Filed: October 5, 2001)

For: STORAGE AREA NETWORK)
METHODS AND APPARATUS WITH)
VIRTUAL SAN RECOGNITION)**RECEIVED****OCT 05 2004****Technology Center 2100****PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Rule 136, Applicant for the above-identified application respectfully petitions the Commissioner for an extension of time extending the period of response as follows:

EXTENSION FROM: August 26, 2004 TO: September 27, 2004, being the first business day after September 26, 2004.

SMALL ENTITY FEE

One (1) Month Extension:
Two (2) Month Extension:
Three (3) Month Extension:
Four (4) Month Extension:
Five (5) Month Extension:☐ \$ 55
☐ \$210
☐ \$475
☐ \$740
☐ \$1005

LARGE ENTITY FEE

☒ \$110
☐ \$420
☐ \$950
☐ \$1480
☐ \$2010

☐ Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the extension of time. Attached is the responsive paper. If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from becoming abandoned, or for any other reason an insufficient fee has been paid, please charge any insufficiency to Deposit Account No. 09-0466. A duplicate of this petition is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fee associated with this communication in the amount of \$ 110 to Deposit Account 50-0585. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: September 27, 2004

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David W. Victor9/27/04
Date